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AUTHORITY ON PUBLIC WELFARE VISITS MEXICO

The interest which the people of Audrain County are taking in Bill 193 recently passed which allows the county to appoint a trained welfare worker, is shown in the fact that following his address at the Mexico Chamber of Commerce luncheon Thursday, J. Adams Puffer, the speaker was invited to present the welfare program in several other places.

He was asked to present the preventive welfare program before the congregation of the Christian Church October 16, to the people of the Baptist Church in the evening October 16 and before a union meeting of the patrons of the school, the Chamber of Commerce and other organizations at Vandalia the afternoon of October 16.

This welfare program permits the county court in each county to appoint a superintendent of public welfare to have charge of truancy, paroles problems of poverty and defectives.

Officials at Jefferson City believe that the salary of the superintendent can be saved in each county by a wise administration of the funds used for the poor and defectives.

Mr. Puffer in his address to the Chamber of Commerce called attention to the fact that this bill will be just the beginning of a greater preventive program.

Mr. Puffer is an authority on public welfare. He has had life long experience with boys. He is the author of "The Boy and the Gang." He was a probation officer in Boston and was principal of an industrial school for boys. Mr. Puffer also served as field secretary of national child welfare in New York City. At present he is field secretary of the National Welfare League of Kansas City.

This organization is endorsed by such men as H. J. Waters, editor of the Kansas City Star, who was reared near Mexico, Warden Coddling of the Kansas State Penitentiary, Governor Allen and Senator Capper of Kansas.

The first Sunday after Mr. and Mrs. Cowart's return to Mexico will be rally day for the church and Sunday school.

Tournament Is On.

In the Mexico Country Club golf tournament H. B. Brett defeated Jack Marlow one up on 18 holes or when the match was finished two up and three play. Joe Luckie was up on R. R. Arnold at the end of the first 9 holes and Tom Bruce one up on Claiborne Jackson at the end of the first nine holes. The tournament will likely be completed this week.

Will Marry For \$3,000.

JOLIET, Ill., Oct. 4, 1921.—Miss Catherine Peterson, aged 20 years recently said she would marry for the sum of \$3,000. She has had 100 replies to her offer, but none of them suit her. The money is desired by Miss Peterson to pay for an education and some "pretty clothes."

C. P. Malone Sells Property.

C. P. Malone has sold his property on North Jefferson street to Tom Marshall. The Rev. George Wharton who has been living in this property has moved into the Ross Wagner home in South Clark avenue, south of the boulevard.

Make Plans For Conference.

Marlin Butts and Professor Forte of Vandalia were in Mexico Sunday to attend a meeting at the Presbyterian Church. The meeting was for the purpose of arranging for the third annual Conference of Boys and girls will be held in Laddonia October 28, 29 and 30. The program for this meeting is not complete yet.

Visits Relatives Here.

Tom Beard of California is visiting his cousin, Miss Hattie Kernen of Mexico.

Miss Edna Byers of Fulton spent the week end in Mexico.

DRASTIC AUTO LAW INTO EFFECT NOVEMBER 1ST.

A digest of the new state automobile law which will go into effect November first has been made by Robert E. Lee, secretary and manager of the St. Louis Manufacturers and Dealers Association.

The following designations are effective "dealer," "owner," "operator" and "chauffeur." The dealer pays a license fee of \$10 per annum for which he receives two sets of license plates. For every duplicate set he is required to pay a fee of \$5. A chauffeur pays \$3 a year and is required to carry his photograph at all times in his pocket attached to his certificate. An operator is any person who drives a car as an incident of his business. This applies to salesmen. He is required to pay a fee of \$3 a year.

Dealers must make a record every month of the sale of new and used cars. Dealers must lend plates to new purchasers for a period of five days but not longer and must exact a fee of \$5 for the loan of the plates.

Upon the transfer of ownership of any motor vehicle, its certificate of ownership and the right to use the number plates must be removed at the time of the transfer, and the vehicle must be registered again.

A speed of twenty-five miles an hour is presumptive but not conclusive of reckless driving. Truck speed is limited as follows: Two ton trucks and less twenty miles; two to five tons, fifteen miles an hour; more than five tons, ten miles an hour.

Weight of trucks on the roads, tractor and semi-tractor combines gross weight not over 42,000.

Three hand signals are specified. But in the case of closed car or truck where hand signals cannot be given, an automobile signal device is required on all cars owned in towns of more than 10,000 inhabitants.

The right of way at intersecting roads or streets belongs to the main coming from the right hand.

Dealers are not permitted to let cars leave their establishments that are not equipped with lenses approved by the state.

It is an offense to have a muffler cut-out which can be operated from the seat on a car and motor cycles are required to have a muffler without a cut-out.

All trucks from which hand signals cannot be seen are required to have a mirror on the left front fender.

The penalty for stealing automobiles is fixed at twenty-five years imprisonment in the State penitentiary and \$1,000 fine. A third conviction for minor offenses permits the motor vehicle to cancel the license of the offender and prohibit him from driving for one year.

Ed Shobe of Laddonia died at 3 o'clock Thursday afternoon at Audrain Hospital after an illness of several weeks. Funeral services were held at his home at Laddonia at 3 o'clock Sunday afternoon.

Mr. Shobe was born at Chamoin, Osage County Missouri February 19, 1868. He is well known in Mexico, and was a brother of Leslie, who was formerly superintendent of schools of Audrain County. He was a member of the Masonic Lodge.

The Ledger joins his many friends in extending deepest sympathy to his wife and relatives.

JURY BRINGS \$5,000 JUDGMENT AGAINST RAILROAD

The jury in the case of Mary E. Nunn, who was suing the St. Louis and Hannibal railroad for \$25,000 returned a verdict of \$5,000 for the plaintiff. The plaintiff sued the railroad for \$25,000 for personal injuries received when she was struck by a train.

Thirty-Five Join Church

Elder C. A. Mitchell of Mexico closed a meeting at the Baptist Church of Sturgeon Friday night with thirty-five additions to the membership of the church.

M. Kimbrough, father of Chauncey Kimbrough, was operated on for cancer in Moberly Monday and is doing nicely.

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Farm Club Notes

FARM CLUB MEETINGS
(Send us your dates)
CEDAR GROVE FARM CLUB—
Every Thursday night.
BEAVER DAM FARM CLUB—
Every Friday night.
Moline meets every other Friday night.

The first annual carnival given under the auspices of the Liberty, Jackson, Benton City and Sunrise farm clubs was held Saturday at Liberty Schoolhouse, five miles south-east of Mexico. A large crowd was present and a number from a distance attended.

The premiums offered for the various farm displays drew many competitors. There were also many entries in the classes of live stock.

The farmers winning first and second prizes are as follows:

FARM DISPLAYS

Heck Franklin, first.

Mr. Franklin had a farm wagon with a hay rack decorated with a display of sixty articles raised on his farm.

F. C. Berry, second.

Mr. Berry also had a fine display of farm products.

SMALL GRAIN

Wheat, Heck Franklin, first.

J. T. Dungan, second.

Red Oats, Robert Crum, first.

A. G. Smith, second.

White Oats, J. M. Smith, first.

White Corn, 10 ears, L. T. Jenkins, first.

J. M. Morris, second.

Yellow Corn, 10 ears, Hy Kunkle, first.

C. F. Clark, second.

Best 10 ears of corn, any kind, L. T. Jenkins, first.

J. E. Clark, second.

Best single ear of corn, C. E. Clark, first.

Brice Massey, second.

Garden Truck—Largest Squash, Ward Myers.

Largest Watermelon, Cole Edwards.

Best Peck Irish Potatoes, Henry Kunkle, first.

Ed Morris, second.

Best Peck of Sweet Potatoes, Earl Lockridge, first.

L. H. Cox, second.

Poultry and Eggs.

Best half dozen hen eggs, A. G. Smith, first—White Plymouth Rock.

Second, Henry Kunkle, Leghorns.

Best Pair Barred Rocks: L. T. Jenkins, first.

Best Pair Rhode Island Reds Mrs. Lizzie Morris, first.

M. C. Barnes, second.

Best Pair Hodan A. M. Kestler, first.

Best Pair White Leghorns Henry Kunkle, first.

Best Cakes Mrs. Henry Kunkle, first.

Mrs. Bryce Massey, second.

Live Stock

Best Mule, any age Watts Brothers first and second.

Best Bulls Colt

Curtis Wilson, first.

Garl Lockridge, second.

Best Harness and Saddle Colt Ab Williams.

Best Walking Horse John Smith, first.

Bob Lockridge second.

Westling matches, mule, races, climbing the greasy pole and other events were among the amusements of the day. A bounteous dinner was served by the women.

The Producers Live Stock Commission Co., an organization founded by the Missouri Farm Clubs, expects to start business in East St. Louis, Ill., within thirty days according to information. Mexico's quota of stock for this organization capitalized at \$25,000, is 50 shares at \$10 a share. Stock is said to be selling readily and the organization has already opened offices.

JEW TO OBSERVE TWO RELIGIOUS HOLIDAYS IN OCTOBER

October contains two Jewish holidays.

Next Sunday will be Rosh-ha-Shana or Jewish New Year and will be observed by orthodox Jews all over the world. The observances of the event will continue throughout Monday.

October 12 will be Yom Kippur and will mark the observance of the Jewish day of atonement, which is observed by fasting.

Harold Rixey of Mexico who is a member of the staff of the Fulton Sun spent the week-end in Mexico visiting relatives.

John James of Fulton was in Mexico on business Monday.

George A. Pollard of Sturgeon spent Monday in Mexico.

Barnardo Boys on Their Way to Australia



These smiling youngsters are some of the famous "Barnardo boys," sent from England to Australia by the philanthropic Dr. Barnardo. Sitting on their brand new suitcases, they are waiting for the motor coaches to take them to the ship. Soon they'll be in Australia, helping to make and keep that great continent a white man's country.

UTILITIES CO. TO ENTERTAIN STOCKHOLDERS

The Missouri Utilities company has issued an invitation to the stockholders in the company, and their families to a barbecue to be held Monday, October 10, in the front yard of the residence of Mr. and Mrs. E. R. Locke on S. Western avenue, diagonally opposite the power plant.

At the meeting of the stockholders last October, many of the stockholders expressed a desire to see the plant after completion. As that point has practically been reached the barbecue has been planned so every stockholder and his family may visit the plant personally and inspect it.

Those in charge of arrangements are promising the stockholders and their families a good time and a special inducement all the good things to eat which go with an old-fashioned barbecue.

POWELL'S FORD.

Farmers are still delayed in putting in their wheat by the rain. They are getting anxious about it. — Sun Rise Ladies will serve dinner at Claude Bybee's sale Tuesday, Oct. 4. — We are glad to know Miss Edith Turner, who was operated on Thursday afternoon at the Amanda Hospital is getting along nicely. — R. G. Woodson bought some nice sheep from Geo. Johnson last week. — Conrad Schutte delivered oats last week at a cent a pound.

THOMPSON.

Henry Harvey who is staying with his uncle and attending Fox school spent the week end with his parents, Mr. and Mrs. Will Harvey at Thompson.

The ladies of the Liberty church served dinner at the Considine sale Thursday the 29th.

The young people's Sunday school class of the Liberty Sunday School gave a marshmallow and Weiner roast Saturday night. Several were present and all report having a good time.

Shannon Spurling and Cecil Tanner who are attending school in Mexico at McMillan spent the week end with their parents.

Several from here attended the debate at Naylor school house Friday evening.

Mr. and Mrs. Tommy Davenport spent the day with Mr. and Mrs. J. H. Springer.

Miss Ruth McCreery spent the week end in Laddonia and attended the carnival and play given by the Home Makers Club Saturday.

Elmer Conley has his new house almost completed. We think it will not be long until they will move into it.

At the Fox school Irene Springer was the honorary student in the ninth grade and Kathryn Windom in the seventh grade during the month ending September 30.

The String Band of Thompson under the instruction of Henry Harvey, Jr., of Fox school will make the music for the entertainment at Skinner Hall October 15 when Fox will give their pie supper. Everyone invited.

The Fox Farm Club will meet Friday night, Oct. 7. Several speakers will be there on that night. Charles Clark, Judge Groves and Henry Dean will be among them.

Clarence Baker went to Kansas City and bought about 600 sheep to feed.

Ed Lee, J. T. Johnson, Colonel Bradley and Albert Price spent Monday in Fulton transacting business.

John T. and Jake Buckner of Mexico spent Monday in Fulton.

WESTMINSTER TO PLAY MISSOURI VALLEY HERE

The Westminster-Missouri Valley foot ball game will be played in Mexico, October 21. The game will be played here instead at Fulton as it believed a larger crowd can be secured than in Fulton.

The Valleyites have promised a delegation of 300 if it is played in Mexico. A special train will be run from Marshall to Mexico to accommodate the rooters from Missouri Valley College. The students in Fulton will ask for a holiday so they may attend the game.

BELIEVES AMERICAN GIRL IS NOT BECOMING MORE FRIVOLOUS

Co-eds in Columbia got so tired of hearing the modern girl called "frivolous" and modern styles "immodest" that they asked a number of representatives persons in Columbia just what their opinion of Modern styles and the modern girl was.

There were a few who declared that the "present generation of young people have no manners no consideration for older people, no refinement, nothing they should have." But the majority voted that the modern girl with her short skirt and frank straightforward manners was little different at heart from her timid, shrinking sister of a few generations ago.

The fact that styles have been exaggerated in age until they have been grotesque is pointed out by one woman who declares that old pictures of styles in the day of Dolly Madison were much more immodest than they are today.

The majority of university men who were asked for their opinion of the present mode and the girl of today agreed that styles were more sensible and the modern girl more capable and less foolish than the girl of the past.

SHERIFF GOES TO CALIFORNIA TO BRING BACK ESCAPED PRISONER

Sheriff Chal Blum left for Orville, Cal., Wednesday morning to bring back to Mexico Mitchell McCloud, the negro who broke jail at the same time Bill Morgan escaped. McCloud is under a five year sentence for breaking into the house of Jake Allen in West Mexico. McCloud was recently captured in California.

Supper A Success.

The pie supper at Maple Grove school last week resulted in \$41.67 proceeds. There were eight boxes and nine pies sold. Jim Ford was the auctioneer. Miss Grace Meliza is the teacher of the school.

Mr. and Mrs. John McDonald and Mrs. Nettie Decker, of Middletown, Mo., motored to Mexico Wednesday and were guests of Mr. and Mrs. A. L. Hunt and daughter.

Dies in Oklahoma.

F. N. Parker died at his home at Wagoner, Okla., September 19 after a lingering illness of many months.

Mrs. G. E. Carrington of Fulton spent the week-end in Mexico visiting relatives.

Miss Miriam Glandon left for St. Louis Tuesday morning where she will attend the Velled Prophet's ball.

SMITH HATCHERY TO BE INSTALLED IN MEXICO SOON

The Smith Brothers Chicken Hatchery will be installed in Mexico before the New Year. The G. W. Robertson warehouse, where the hatchery will be located, is now being prepared and is almost completed. The company will begin the installation of their equipment within the next few weeks.

Floyd Smith is in Mexico now representing the company. This concern is one of the largest of its kind. During 1921, 300,000 baby chicks will be hatched by the hatcheries of the company. It is due to the efforts of the Mexico Chamber of Commerce that Mexico succeeded in getting the hatchery located here.

Thomas Evans Dies in Mexico on Tuesday

Thomas Howard Evans, 74 years old, died at his home on Emmons street Tuesday afternoon, of cancer. The funeral will be held Thursday afternoon at the Pearson Church near Sturgeon.

Mr. Evans was born in Boone County in 1847. He is survived by a wife, two sons, Roy and Oddis Evans, four stepchildren, Pearl Spottswood, Emma Tolson, E. H. Tolson and George Tolson all of Mexico, two brothers, Willie Evans of Rucker and Tom Evans of Columbia.

The Ledger joins with the many friends of Mr. Evans in extending deepest sympathy to the sorrowing relatives.

CHRISTIAN CHURCH
ELECTS OFFICERS AT
ANNUAL MEETING

Officers were elected at the annual meeting of the Christian Church organization which was held Sunday night. J. C. Mundy, president of the board, presided. F. J. Wilkins was elected by acclamation as vice-president to succeed W. J. Mason who has gone to California.

The officers elected for the three-year term were: Elders, T. A. Threlkeld and J. W. Perkins. Deacons, J. C. Mundy, J. C. Davis, B. F. Haskell, J. W. Squires and H. I. State.

Ed Lee of Mexico has bought some horses from J. C. Autenreth, B. S. Clatterback and Thomas Dengee of near Fulton for prices ranging from \$30 to \$60.

Mrs. Laura McFadin, of Excelsior Springs, who has been the guest of Mrs. Ella Morey, is spending a few days with relatives north of Mexico. She will return here for another visit with Mrs. Morey.

\$400 REWARD FOR MORGAN.

Governor A. M. Hyde notified County Clerk Cunningham, Tuesday, that the State would duplicate the County's reward of \$200 for the arrest of Bill Morgan, fugitive from justice in this county. This makes a total reward of \$400.

Born, to Mr. and Mrs. Thomas Romans, of Lometa, Texas, September 27 a son, Robert Thomas. Mrs. Romans was Miss Edna White, of this city, a niece of E. M. White.

CADDOCK TOO ILL TO WRESTLE HERE OCTOBER 6

Earl Caddock is too ill to keep his engagement to wrestle here with Jake Reed October 6, according to a message received from Caddock's manager. A telephone message confirmed the wire but a match between Caddock and Reed is assured the latter part of this month.

A match has been arranged for October 6 between Jake Reed and Sam Chapman, known as the "British Lion." The illness of Caddock is quite a blow to the promoters of the match as well as to those who were looking forward to seeing the champions, but Chapman comes highly recommended, having wrestled with such men as Caddock and other champions, so a good match is assured for the night of the sixth.

Dr. Francis Weins And Miss Anna Ryan Are Married

Dr. Francis Weins, a son of Mr. and Mrs. Peter Weins, and Miss Anna Ryan, the charming daughter of Mr. and Mrs. James Ryan, of this county, were married Tuesday at St. Brendan's Catholic church by Father Gavran. Their attendants were Mr. and Mrs. W. P. Albus.

Following the ceremony Mrs. Ryan gave the newlyweds a delicious and sumptuous wedding supper at the home of W. P. Albus. There were 21 guests present and the affair was a most delightful one. Following the supper friends charivariated Mr. and Mrs. Weins. The bride was attired in a fashionable traveling suit of brown, with shoes and waist to match and heaver hat.

Mrs. Weins is a most charming and accomplished young woman who is popular with all who know her. Dr. Weins has been living in Texas where he has been most successful. He has a host of friends here and is a splendid young man. He and his bride will go to housekeeping in a new home in Poplar Bluff immediately.

The Ledger joins the many friends of both in extending best wishes and congratulations.

BROTHERS CHARGED
WITH EVASION OF THE
DRAFT ARE ARRESTED

Sylvester John Conley and Walter Caldwell Conley were arrested in Montgomery City last week charged with evasion of the draft and were turned over to the Federal authorities for punishment. At the time of their registering the brothers were living in Shamrock township and it is said that during the war they lived in Texas. Since the close of the war they have been living near Montgomery City.

GRAND ARMY OF REPUBLIC
TO MAKE "LAST WILL" AT
PRESENT ENCAMPMENT

Members of the Grand Army of the Republic, realizing that their organization is growing old, are planning during the present encampment here that arrangements shall be made for the final disposition of the property of the order.

Fank M. Sterret of Troy, N. Y., has ready a resolution which he terms "the last will and testament of the G. A. R."

Finley B. Johnson of Martinsburg was in Mexico on business Wednesday.

Leonard Coatsworth and wife are the guests of Mr. and Mrs. Frank Coatsworth.

Eugene Pearson and Rastus Pearson of Louisiana were in Mexico Thursday.

The many friends of Mrs. J. C. Ringo will regret to hear she is in a critical condition.

Mrs. E. Hildebrand and Mrs. Dan Hildebrand of Benton City were in Mexico Thursday.

O. A. Walker and family of Galveston, Texas, have been the guests of Mexico relatives.

The many friends of Mrs. Carl Dobyns will be glad to know she has improved sufficiently to return home from the hospital.

Mrs. Clay Pasley of Roadsville, came to Mexico Thursday to visit her sons, Leo and Cleo.